

## LOCAL.

Dr. Rube Weiden and wife came in yesterday.

W. A. Finlay returned yesterday from El Paso.

The Dark Canon wells will be enlarged to supply 500,000 gallons daily.

Miss Cummins, who has been on her claim near Hagerman, returned last week.

Excursions from Dallas and other points in Texas, for the Pecos Valley, will be run during April.

Mrs. Bennett, of Roswell, formerly an old resident of Eddy, came down Tuesday on business.

J. W. Taylor, who came here some four weeks ago from Troy, Ohio, for lung trouble, is improving fast.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Keith, of White Oaks, celebrated the fifty-sixth anniversary of their wedding on March 8th.

Mrs. Thomason, residing near Wood, was not expected to live when one of the near neighbors left, who arrived in Eddy Tuesday.

Thos. Gardner, formerly county commissioner, returned from a visit in southern California, where he spent the winter for his health.

While the K. of P. entertainment was in progress last night some sneaks stole some six or eight lap robes from the buggies near the opera house.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will have the noted Peak Sisters from abroad help them give an entertainment in opera hall, April 7, 1896.

Ogle & Ogle have purchased the stock of furniture of J. M. Bradford, and will conduct the business separate for the present, intending to consolidate later.

Mr. Murdock, sr., who made the trip by wagon to Kerrville, Texas, 450 miles south, returned last Friday and will go up in the mountains to reside the coming summer.

Marshal Bascoo has established a pound pen for stock in the north end of town in the corral of S. S. Mendenhall, three blocks north of the court house near the big rock pile.

Mr. Fusselman and wife, from Edgerton, Ohio, brother of Station Agent Fusselman, came in last Thursday and will tarry a couple of months to sample New Mexico climate and visit.

Communion services after the morning sermon in the Fire department rooms on next Sabbath. Preaching also in the evening at 7:30 o'clock. A cordial invitation extended to all to attend these services.

Work commenced yesterday on Dark Canon wells, the intention being to enlarge the water supply sufficient to more than double the present capacity in order that the beet sugar factory may have abundant water.

Jerry Reardon, who has had charge of the stone work on the repairs of the six gate dams, leaves for Roswell to day. Jerry is, we believe, the only first-class stone mason in the valley, and his work here for six years proves he is worthy the distinction.

Wednesday evening of last week a party was given at the home of Judge A. A. Freeman by Lincoln Freeman, to his friends. There were present, Rev. Huggett, Mrs. Stringfellow, J. O. Cameron and wife, Misses Stringfellow, Huggett, Rodman, Woods and Masters.

Huggett, Stringfellow, Mann, Pruitt, Woods and Rodman. Social games and a sumptuous lunch were the main attractions. Lincoln is one of the best and most popular young men in the country.

Sheriff Walker came in last Friday with the celebrated Harold P. Brown, who was met at the train by a large though rather mixed crowd, for Harry was always a "mixer," being at home in all kinds of crowds. Later he made a bond set at \$5,000, with J. F. Matheson and S. T. Biting as sureties. Saturday the commissioners met to consider a proposition from H. H. Pierce to take the amount of the defalcation of Brown in allowed accounts against Eddy county, thus wiping out the debt. The commissioners concluded to postpone action on the matter until Commissioner Rheinboldt is present, and until other creditors of the county can be heard from. If the proposition is accepted the present debt of the county will be reduced to about \$15,000, which may be bonded and settled. All creditors so far heard from are anxious that the commissioners accept Pierce's offer.

The Knights of Pythias, of Eddy, last night entertained their friends and the public at the opera house. The largest gathering ever to get together in Eddy was on hand at the appointed hour. The knights donned themselves proud in their efforts. The exercises consisted of readings, recitations, vocal and instrumental music, and a masterly effort by Mr. Major, setting forth the benefits, both benevolent and social, of pythianism. Mr. H. L. Potter operated the magic lantern, showing the many beautiful scenes from the famous story of Damon and Pythias. After this the knights put on aprons and served a lunch to their guests, consisting of hot coffee, oaks, etc. The knights seemed to vie with each other in doing the best for their friends, all of whom feel they were highly entertained.

## Democratic Mass Meeting.

The democrats of Eddy met Tuesday night at 8 o'clock at the court house to consider and discuss the advisability of holding a primary convention to nominate city officials. The following are the proceedings of the meeting, in which about forty democratic voters participated:

The meeting was called to order by J. S. Crozier, who stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the advisability of holding primaries to nominate town officers for the coming year, in the town of Eddy.

Moved by Bateman that Wm. H. Mullane be secretary, seconded by Fred Nymeyer. Carried.

Moved we hear from U. S. Bateman. Mr. Bateman said he would do all he could to elect a city ticket. If the democratic party has a duty to perform the offices should be incidental. Will have a contest for supremacy between the populists and republicans. It is wholesome to have a good organization to combat these parties, and not for the purpose of getting office. Would be glad to hear the views of all.

Mr. Franklin said he would support a ticket, if a good one; that it would be impossible to find men to run unless they were tendered the offices by some political party.

Cowden and Dougherty's wagons will commence work at the T. & P. Ry., on the east side of the Pecos, April 1st, and R. P. Robertson's outfit will meet the Cowden and Dougherty wagons at the Wire fence.

The above wagons will leave the river about the 18th of April and work up as far as Clayton Wells; thence to the Robertson range by the 28th of April. This will positively be steer work.

Moved by Bateman that the democrats of Eddy nominate a town ticket. This favors you.

Mesars, Patter and Kensing favor a convention, and not primaries.

Homer Gilmore favors ticket. Chair announced a rising vote, which was unanimous for the motion.

Moved by Kensing we have a convention at 8 p. m., Saturday March 21, 1896. Carried.

After some discussion concerning advisability of cutting down town expenses Bateman moved to adjourn to Saturday night at 8 p. m., at the court house.

J. O. Cameron went to Roswell Sunday, returning yesterday.

J. D. Laddam made final proof on his homestead near Otis Monday, at Roswell.

S. T. Biting went to Roswell Sunday, returning Tuesday.

L. C. Sanchez made a business trip to Roswell Monday, returning Wednesday.

L. H. Bartlett was in Roswell Monday.

Rev. F. T. Bennett, formerly rector of Grace church, Eddy, is now stationed at Albuquerque.

## Oils Observations.

Miss Jennie Jessup was visiting Mrs. Hare for a few days last week.

Mr. George Saunders left Wednesday night for Wisconsin, and will return shortly with his family.

Mr. Barey will ship two car loads of hogs Wednesday night to Ft. Worth.

Mr. Demarest is completing his house at Otis.

Mr. Scroggins has returned from the upper valley.

Mr. Every has returned from Colorado Springs.

Mr. Tunc had the misfortune of losing one of his best cows Tuesday night.

## TERITORIAL NEWS.

Gov. Thornton offers a reward of \$200 for the arrest of the party or parties who set fire to Gundersen's mill at Taos, February 15th.

The sub-committee of the senate committee appointed to consider the bill for the admission of New Mexico, decided unanimously Tuesday to report to the full committee in favor of the passage of the bill.

The Atchison railroad company has issued orders to its New Mexico and Texas depot agents and conductors to allow no men to board the trains with guns. They must leave their arsenals in the baggage car while en route.

An application has been made to abolish the fee system of the United States district attorneys and United States marshals, allowing the district attorneys a salary of \$4,000 with \$2,500 for an assistant, and the marshals at salary to be fixed by the attorney general, and allowed the necessary deputies, all provided with expenses while travelling.

## FRESHES.

PRESSES. N. M., March 14, 1896. Allen Price is in the mountains on his father's farm.

Eli Mosier has sold his place near the summit to Doc Collier.

S. O. Smith and his brother, Issac, are going to El Paso to work on the new railroad.

Lee Vaughn, near Wood, is running his new thrasher. Lee thinks it is the finest machine in the land.

"Honest" Bill Johnson has rented his farm in Cos Aransas and taken up his old trade of cow punching.

We had three-inch snow on the 9th just. The snow is now three to four feet deep on the shady side of the mountains.

We are unable to plow yet, but Frank Goodall, just over the hill, says he has been planting potatoes, but we all know Frank.

Bicycle for sale—A new Crescent highest of high grade, only \$35. Inquire at Hagerman hotel.

## THE SPRING ROUND-UP.

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE STOCKMEN'S MEETING AT ROSWELL SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 1896.

The following are the Minutes of the Stockmen's Meeting as Reported by the Secretary, J. D. Lee.

## MR. TANSILL A HUSTLER.

Booms the Pecos Valley, Trades His Farm and Is Going to See Diaz,

Kansas City star.

A big three-cornered real estate deal was completed in Kansas City to-day between Bert Weems Tansill, of Chicago; also of the Pecos Valley, N. M.; Colonel John B. Overmeyer, of Chicago, and General Benson, of Iowa, who now lives in Kansas City. The deal began with a trade between Mr. Tansill and Colonel Overmeyer, whereby the immense Tansill farm in the Pecos Valley, N. M., was exchanged for the Overmeyer flat houses on the Washington Boulevard, Chicago. To-day Mr. Tansill transferred back the Chicago flat houses to Colonel Overmeyer, and Colonel Overmeyer transferred the Tansill farm in the Pecos Valley to General Benson. Then General Benson transferred the Newcastle flats, southwest corner Sixteenth and Troost avenue, to Mr. Tansill. Each of three properties was valued at \$100,000. The deal was carried on through the real estate firm of Crutcher & Welsh.

R. W. Tansill is the famous "Tansill's Punch" cigar manufacturer, who quit his business eight years ago on account of failing health, and has since lived in the Western high altitudes, amusing himself by such diversions as creating the immense Tansill farm, booming railroad and mining schemes and putting through such deals as the one finished to-day. He came to Kansas City about ten days ago and said he wished to awaken Kansas City interest in direct railway connection with the Pecos Valley railway. Now it turns out that he had other business. General Benson will operate the Tansill farm for breeding high grade cattle.

Mr. Tagell considers the big flat house at Sixteenth and Troost a very good property. It was formerly part of the Lombard interests. To-morrow Mr. Tansill, who is a remarkable person, leaves for Mexico to call on President Diaz. He owns sixty-four gold and silver mining claims in Mexico, and has recently organized the Gold Hill Mining Company, capital five millions, to own and operate the Tarros and Rosario gold mines in Southwest Chihuahua, in the Sierra Madre mountains. He intends to secure from President Diaz a formal written assurance with reference to the protection of non-resident mining claims.

"Mexico is one vast mine," declared Mr. Tansill. "There are hundreds of rich mines where the natives have taken out free gold for centuries by the crudest means. We get our labor for \$1.50 a day, paying in silver, and sell back stores to the miners, so that our labor costs us only forty cents a day in gold."

The Bloom Cattle company will begin work at Pajarito mountain, on the 5th, and work in to the Junction; thence down the Hondo to Roswell, and on to Seven-mile Spring, arriving there about the 28th.

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El Capitan Cattle company will begin work at White Oaks on April 1st, and work down by the Big Corral, Blue Water and Black Water; thence to Roswell and on to Seven-mile Spring, arriving there on or about the 28th. One Block wagon will start in at the Junction on April 6th, and work up to the Government Spring; thence to the Baca ranch, by Raton, and on to Black Water, Roswell, and arrive at Seven-mile Spring, about the 28th.

After trimming up at Seven-mile, all outfitts will work up the river to Cedar Canyon where one V wagon will start in and work east to Las Portales, and then to Ft. Sumner, where it will meet all outfitts.

Adopted.

The committee for the west side then presented the following report:

The C. A. outfit will begin at the mouth of Elk Spring canyon, in Lincoln county, on April 8th, and work down to Gilbert's, on the Pecos, arriving there about the 21st, when, and where the Block wagon will meet them; thence up the river to Seven-mile Spring, arriving there about the 28th.

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